

**Senate File 2211 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 2211  
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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for the issuance and display of one motor  
2 vehicle registration plate.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 8A.362, subsection 8, Code Supplement  
2 2009, is amended to read as follows:

3 8. The director shall require that a sign be placed on  
4 each state-owned motor vehicle in a conspicuous place which  
5 indicates its ownership by the state. This requirement  
6 shall not apply to motor vehicles requested to be exempt by  
7 the director or by the commissioner of public safety. All  
8 state-owned motor vehicles shall display a registration  
9 ~~plates~~ plate bearing the word "official" except motor vehicles  
10 requested to be furnished with an ordinary ~~plates~~ plate by the  
11 director or by the commissioner of public safety pursuant to  
12 section 321.19. The director shall keep an accurate record of  
13 the registration plates used on all state-owned motor vehicles.

14 Sec. 2. Section 321.18, subsection 7, Code Supplement 2009,  
15 is amended to read as follows:

16 7. Any school bus in this state used exclusively for  
17 the transportation of pupils to and from school or a school  
18 function or for the purposes provided in section 285.1,  
19 subsection 1, and section 285.10, subsection 9, or used  
20 exclusively for the transportation of children enrolled in a  
21 federal head start program. Upon application the department  
22 shall, without charge, issue a registration certificate and  
23 registration ~~plates~~ plate. The ~~plates~~ plate shall be attached  
24 to the ~~front and~~ rear of each bus exempt from registration  
25 under this subsection.

26 Sec. 3. Section 321.19, subsection 1, Code 2009, is amended  
27 to read as follows:

28 1. a. All vehicles owned or leased for a period of sixty  
29 days or more by the government and used in the transaction of  
30 official business by the representatives of foreign governments  
31 or by officers, boards, or departments of the government of the  
32 United States, and by the state, counties, municipalities and  
33 other political subdivisions of the state including vehicles  
34 used by an urban transit company operated by a municipality or  
35 a regional transit system, and self-propelling vehicles used

1 neither for the conveyance of persons for hire, pleasure, or  
2 business nor for the transportation of freight other than those  
3 used by an urban transit company operated by a municipality or  
4 a regional transit system, all fire trucks, providing they are  
5 not owned and operated for a pecuniary profit, and authorized  
6 emergency vehicles used only in disaster relief owned and  
7 operated by an organization not operated for pecuniary profit,  
8 are exempted from the payment of the registration fees imposed  
9 by this chapter, except as provided for urban transit companies  
10 in subsection 2, but are not exempt from the penalties provided  
11 in this chapter.

12 b. The department shall furnish, on application, free of  
13 charge, distinguishing plates for vehicles thus exempted,  
14 which plates except plates on state patrol vehicles shall bear  
15 the word "official" and the department shall keep a separate  
16 record. Registration plates issued for state patrol vehicles,  
17 except unmarked patrol vehicles, shall bear two red stars  
18 on a yellow background, one before and one following the  
19 registration number on the plate, which registration number  
20 shall be the officer's badge number. Registration plates  
21 issued for county sheriff's patrol vehicles shall display  
22 one seven-pointed gold star followed by the letter "S" and  
23 the call number of the vehicle. However, the director of  
24 the department of administrative services or the director of  
25 transportation may order the issuance of a regular registration  
26 ~~plates~~ plate for any exempted vehicle used by peace officers  
27 in the enforcement of the law, persons enforcing chapter 124  
28 and other laws relating to controlled substances, persons in  
29 the department of justice, the alcoholic beverages division  
30 of the department of commerce, disease investigators of the  
31 Iowa department of public health, the department of inspections  
32 and appeals, and the department of revenue, who are regularly  
33 assigned to conduct investigations which cannot reasonably  
34 be conducted with a vehicle displaying an "official" state  
35 registration ~~plates~~ plate, persons in the Iowa lottery

1 authority whose regularly assigned duties relating to security  
2 or the carrying of lottery tickets cannot reasonably be  
3 conducted with a vehicle displaying an "official" registration  
4 ~~plates~~ plate, persons in the department of economic development  
5 who are regularly assigned duties relating to existing  
6 industry expansion or business attraction, and mental health  
7 professionals or health care professionals who provide off-site  
8 or in-home medical or mental health services to clients of  
9 publicly funded programs. For purposes of sale of exempted  
10 vehicles, the exempted governmental body, upon the sale of  
11 the exempted vehicle, may issue for in-transit purposes a  
12 pasteboard card bearing the words "Vehicle in Transit", the  
13 name of the official body from which the vehicle was purchased,  
14 together with the date of the purchase plainly marked in at  
15 least one-inch letters, and other information required by the  
16 department. The in-transit card is valid for use only within  
17 forty-eight hours after the purchase date as indicated on the  
18 bill of sale which shall be carried by the driver.

19 Sec. 4. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
20 subparagraph (3), unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2009, is amended  
21 to read as follows:

22 Issue a citation and remove the motor vehicle's license  
23 ~~plates~~ plate and registration receipt.

24 Sec. 5. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
25 subparagraph (3), subparagraph division (a), Code 2009, is  
26 amended to read as follows:

27 (a) Upon removing the license ~~plates~~ plate and registration  
28 receipt, the peace officer shall deliver the ~~plates~~ plate for  
29 destruction, as appropriate, and forward the registration  
30 receipt and evidence of the violation, as determined by the  
31 department, to the county treasurer of the county in which the  
32 motor vehicle is registered.

33 Sec. 6. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
34 subparagraph (4), subparagraph division (a), Code 2009, is  
35 amended to read as follows:

1 (a) Issue a citation, remove the motor vehicle's license  
2 ~~plates~~ plate and registration receipt, and impound the motor  
3 vehicle. The peace officer shall deliver the ~~plates~~ plate for  
4 destruction, as appropriate, and forward the registration  
5 receipt and evidence of the violation, as determined by the  
6 department, to the county treasurer of the county in which the  
7 motor vehicle is registered.

8 Sec. 7. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph b,  
9 subparagraph (1), subparagraph divisions (a) and (b), Code  
10 2009, are amended to read as follows:

11 (a) If the person was cited pursuant to paragraph "a",  
12 subparagraph (3), the owner or driver shall provide a copy of  
13 the receipt to the county treasurer of the county in which the  
14 motor vehicle is registered and the owner shall be assessed a  
15 fifteen dollar administrative fee by the county treasurer who  
16 shall issue a new license ~~plates~~ plate and registration to the  
17 person after payment of the fee.

18 (b) If the person was cited pursuant to paragraph "a",  
19 subparagraph (4), the owner or driver, after the owner  
20 provides proof of financial liability coverage to the clerk  
21 of court, may claim the motor vehicle after such person pays  
22 any applicable fine and the costs of towing and storage for  
23 the motor vehicle, and the owner or driver provides a copy  
24 of the receipt and the owner pays to the county treasurer of  
25 the county in which the motor vehicle is registered a fifteen  
26 dollar administrative fee, and the county treasurer shall issue  
27 a new license ~~plates~~ plate and registration to the person.

28 Sec. 8. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph b,  
29 subparagraph (2), subparagraph divisions (a) and (b), Code  
30 2009, are amended to read as follows:

31 (a) Sign an admission of violation on the citation and  
32 remit to the clerk of court a scheduled fine as provided in  
33 section 805.8A, subsection 14, paragraph "f", for a violation of  
34 subsection 1. Upon payment of the fine to the clerk of court of  
35 the county where the citation was issued, payment of a fifteen

1 dollar administrative fee to the county treasurer of the  
2 county in which the motor vehicle is registered, and providing  
3 proof of payment of any applicable fine and proof of financial  
4 liability coverages to the county treasurer of the county in  
5 which the motor vehicle is registered, the treasurer shall  
6 issue a new license plates plate and registration to the owner.

7 (b) Request an appearance before the court on the matter.  
8 If the matter goes before the court, and the owner or driver  
9 is found guilty of a violation of subsection 1, the court  
10 may impose a fine as provided in section 805.8A, subsection  
11 14, paragraph "f", for a violation of subsection 1, or the  
12 court may order the person to perform unpaid community service  
13 instead of the fine. Upon the payment of the fine or the  
14 entry of the order for unpaid community service, the person  
15 shall provide proof of payment or entry of such order and the  
16 county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle  
17 is registered shall issue a new license plates plate and  
18 registration to the owner upon the owner providing proof of  
19 financial liability coverage and paying a fifteen dollar  
20 administrative fee to the county treasurer.

21 Sec. 9. Section 321.22, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2009,  
22 is amended to read as follows:

23 1. An urban transit company or system having a franchise  
24 to operate in any city and any regional transit system may  
25 make application to the department, upon forms furnished by  
26 the department, for a certificate containing a distinguishing  
27 number and for one or more ~~pairs of~~ registration plates to be  
28 attached to the ~~front and~~ rear of buses owned or operated by  
29 the transit company or system.

30 Sec. 10. Section 321.23, subsection 3, Code Supplement  
31 2009, is amended to read as follows:

32 3. In the event an applicant for registration of a foreign  
33 vehicle for which a certificate of title has been issued is  
34 able to furnish evidence of being the registered owner of the  
35 vehicle to the county treasurer of the owner's residence,

1 although unable to surrender such certificate of title,  
2 the county treasurer may issue a registration receipt and  
3 ~~plates~~ plate upon receipt of the required annual registration  
4 fee and the fee for new registration but shall not issue a  
5 certificate of title ~~thereto~~ for the vehicle. Upon surrender  
6 of the certificate of title from the foreign state, the  
7 county treasurer shall issue a certificate of title to the  
8 owner, of the vehicle or other person entitled ~~thereto~~,  
9 ~~of such vehicle~~ to the certificate of title as provided in  
10 this chapter. The owner of a vehicle registered under this  
11 subsection shall not be required to obtain a certificate of  
12 title in this state and may transfer ownership of the vehicle  
13 to a motor vehicle dealer licensed under chapter 322 if, at the  
14 time of the transfer, the certificate of title is held by a  
15 secured party and the dealer has forwarded to the secured party  
16 the sum necessary to discharge the security interest pursuant  
17 to section 321.48, subsection 1.

18 Sec. 11. Section 321.25, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2009,  
19 is amended to read as follows:

20 A vehicle may be operated upon the highways of this state  
21 without a registration ~~plates~~ plate for a period of forty-five  
22 days after the date of delivery of the vehicle to the purchaser  
23 from a dealer if a card bearing the words "registration applied  
24 for" is attached on the rear of the vehicle. The card shall  
25 have plainly stamped or stenciled the registration number of  
26 the dealer from whom the vehicle was purchased and the date  
27 of delivery of the vehicle. In addition, a dealer licensed  
28 to sell new motor vehicles may attach the card to a new motor  
29 vehicle delivered by the dealer to the purchaser even if the  
30 vehicle was purchased from an out-of-state dealer and the card  
31 shall bear the registration number of the dealer that delivered  
32 the vehicle. A dealer shall not issue a card to a person  
33 known to the dealer to be in possession of a registration  
34 ~~plates~~ plate which may be attached to the vehicle. A dealer  
35 shall not issue a card unless an application for registration

1 and certificate of title has been made by the purchaser and a  
2 receipt issued to the purchaser of the vehicle showing the fee  
3 paid by the person making the application. Dealers' records  
4 shall indicate the agency to which the fee is sent and the date  
5 the fee is sent. The dealer shall forward the application by  
6 the purchaser to the county treasurer or state office within  
7 thirty calendar days from the date of delivery of the vehicle.  
8 However, if the vehicle is subject to a security interest  
9 and has been offered for sale pursuant to section 321.48,  
10 subsection 1, the dealer shall forward the application by the  
11 purchaser to the county treasurer or state office within thirty  
12 calendar days from the date of the delivery of the vehicle to  
13 the purchaser.

14 Sec. 12. Section 321.26, subsection 2, Code 2009, is amended  
15 to read as follows:

16 2. The county treasurer may adjust the renewal or expiration  
17 date of vehicles when deemed necessary to equalize the number  
18 of vehicles registered in each twelve-month period or for  
19 the administrative efficiency of the county treasurer's  
20 office. The adjustment shall be accomplished by delivery  
21 of a written notice to the vehicle owner of the adjustment  
22 and allowance of a credit for the remaining months of the  
23 unused portion of the annual registration fee, rounded to the  
24 nearest whole dollar, which amount shall be deducted from  
25 the annual registration fee due at the time of registration.  
26 Upon receipt of the notification the owner shall, within  
27 thirty days, surrender the registration card and registration  
28 ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer of the county where  
29 the vehicle is registered, except that the registration  
30 ~~plates~~ plate shall not be surrendered if validation stickers  
31 or other emblems are used to designate the month and year  
32 of expiration of registration. Upon payment of the annual  
33 registration fee, less the credit allowed for the remaining  
34 months of the unused portion of the annual registration fee,  
35 the county treasurer shall issue a new registration card and

1 registration ~~plates~~ plate, validation ~~stickers~~ sticker, or  
2 ~~emblems~~ emblem which ~~indicate~~ indicates the month and year of  
3 expiration of registration.

4 Sec. 13. Section 321.34, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
5 follows:

6 **321.34 ~~Plates~~ Plate or validation sticker furnished —**  
7 **retained by owner — special plates.**

8 1. *Plates Plate issued.* The county treasurer upon receiving  
9 application, accompanied by proper fee, for registration of a  
10 vehicle shall issue to the owner one registration plate ~~for~~  
11 ~~a motorcycle, motorized bicycle, truck tractor, trailer, or~~  
12 ~~semitrailer and two registration plates for every other motor~~  
13 ~~vehicle.~~ The registration ~~plates~~ plate, including a special  
14 registration ~~plates~~ plate, shall be assigned to the owner of a  
15 vehicle. When the owner of a registered vehicle transfers or  
16 assigns ownership of the vehicle to another person, the owner  
17 shall remove the registration ~~plates~~ plate from the vehicle.  
18 The owner shall forward the ~~plates~~ plate to the county  
19 treasurer where the vehicle is registered or the owner may have  
20 the ~~plates~~ plate assigned to another vehicle within thirty days  
21 after transfer, upon payment of the fees required by law. The  
22 owner shall immediately affix a registration ~~plates~~  
23 plate retained by the owner to another vehicle owned or  
24 acquired by the owner, providing the owner complies with  
25 section 321.46. The department shall adopt rules providing for  
26 the assignment of a registration ~~plates~~ plate to the transferee  
27 of a vehicle for which a credit is allowed under section  
28 321.46, subsection 6.

29 2. *Validation stickers.*

30 *a.* In lieu of issuing a new registration ~~plates~~  
31 plate each registration year for a vehicle renewing  
32 registration, the department may reassign the registration  
33 ~~plates~~ plate previously issued to the vehicle and may adopt  
34 and prescribe an annual validation sticker indicating payment  
35 of annual registration fees. ~~The department shall issue one~~

1 ~~validation sticker for each set of registration plates.~~ The  
2 sticker shall specify the month and year of expiration of the  
3 registration ~~plates~~ plate. ~~The sticker shall be displayed~~  
4 ~~only on the rear registration plate, except that the sticker~~  
5 ~~shall be displayed on the front registration plate of a truck~~  
6 ~~tractor.~~

7 b. The state department of transportation shall adopt rules  
8 to provide for the placement of the motor vehicle registration  
9 validation sticker.

10 3. *Radio operators ~~plates~~ plate.* The owner of an  
11 automobile, motorcycle, trailer, or motor truck who holds an  
12 amateur radio license issued by the federal communications  
13 commission may, upon written application to the county  
14 treasurer accompanied by a fee of five dollars, order  
15 a special registration ~~plates~~ plate bearing the call letters  
16 authorized the radio station covered by the person's amateur  
17 radio license. When received by the county treasurer,  
18 ~~such~~ the special registration ~~plates~~ plate shall be  
19 issued to the applicant in exchange for the registration  
20 ~~plates~~ plate previously issued to the person. Not more than  
21 one ~~set of~~ special registration ~~plates~~ plate may be issued to  
22 an applicant. ~~Said~~ The fee shall be in addition to and not  
23 in lieu of the fee for a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate.  
24 ~~Special~~ A special registration ~~plates~~ plate must be surrendered  
25 upon expiration of the owner's amateur radio license and  
26 the owner shall ~~thereupon~~ then be entitled to the owner's  
27 regular registration ~~plates~~ plate. The county treasurer shall  
28 validate a special ~~plates~~ plate in the same manner as a regular  
29 registration ~~plates~~ plate, upon payment of five dollars in  
30 addition to the regular annual registration fee.

31 4. *Multiyear ~~plates~~ plate.* In lieu of issuing an annual  
32 registration ~~plates~~ plate for trailers, semitrailers, motor  
33 trucks, and truck tractors, the department may issue a  
34 multiyear registration plate for a three-year period or a  
35 permanent registration plate for trailers and semitrailers

1 licensed under chapter 326, and a permanent registration  
2 plate for motor trucks and truck tractors licensed under  
3 chapter 326, upon payment of the appropriate registration fee.  
4 Payment of fees for trailers and semitrailers for a permanent  
5 registration plate shall, at the option of the registrant,  
6 be made at five-year intervals or on an annual basis. Fees  
7 from three-year and five-year payments shall not be reduced or  
8 prorated. Payment of fees for motor trucks and truck tractors  
9 shall be made on an annual basis.

10 5. *Personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate.*

11 a. Upon application and the payment of a fee of twenty-five  
12 dollars, the director may issue to the owner of a motor  
13 vehicle registered in this state or a trailer or travel  
14 trailer registered in this state, a personalized registration  
15 ~~plates~~ plate marked with up to seven initials, letters,  
16 or combination of numerals and letters requested by the  
17 owner. However, a personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate for  
18 motorcycles and motorized bicycles shall be marked with no  
19 more than six initials, letters, or combinations of numerals  
20 and letters. Upon receipt of the personalized registration  
21 ~~plates~~ plate, the applicant shall surrender the regular  
22 registration ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer. The fee for  
23 issuance of the personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate shall be  
24 in addition to the regular annual registration fee.

25 b. The county treasurer shall validate a personalized  
26 registration ~~plates~~ plate in the same manner as a regular  
27 registration ~~plates~~ are plate is validated under this section  
28 at an annual fee of five dollars in addition to the regular  
29 annual registration fee. A person renewing a personalized  
30 registration plate within one month following the time  
31 requirements under section 321.40 may renew the personalized  
32 plate without paying the additional registration fee under  
33 paragraph "a" but shall pay the five-dollar fee in addition to  
34 the regular annual registration fee and any penalties subject  
35 to regular registration plate holders for late renewal.

1 c. The fees collected by the director under this subsection  
2 shall be paid to the treasurer of state and credited by the  
3 treasurer of state as provided in section 321.145.

4 6. *Sample vehicle registration ~~plates~~ plate.* Vehicle A  
5 vehicle registration ~~plates~~ plate displaying the general design  
6 of a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate, with the word "sample"  
7 displayed on the plate, may be furnished to any person upon  
8 payment of a fee of three dollars, except that such plates may  
9 be furnished to governmental agencies without cost. Sample A  
10 sample registration ~~plates~~ plate shall not be attached to a  
11 vehicle moved on the highways of this state.

12 7. *Collegiate ~~plates~~ plate.*

13 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
14 director may issue to the owner of a motor vehicle subject  
15 to registration under section 321.109, subsection 1, motor  
16 truck, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, trailer over two  
17 thousand pounds, or travel trailer registered in this state,  
18 a collegiate registration ~~plates~~ plate created pursuant to  
19 this subsection. Upon receipt of the collegiate registration  
20 plates plate, the applicant shall surrender the regular  
21 registration plates plate to the county treasurer.

22 b. Collegiate A collegiate registration ~~plates~~ plate shall  
23 be designed for each of the three state universities. The  
24 collegiate registration plates shall be designated as follows:

25 (1) The letters "ISU" followed by a four-digit number all  
26 in cardinal on a gold background for Iowa state university of  
27 science and technology.

28 (2) The letters "UNI" followed by a four-digit number all  
29 in purple on a gold background for the university of northern  
30 Iowa.

31 (3) The letters "UI" followed by a four-digit number all in  
32 black on a gold background for the state university of Iowa.

33 (4) In lieu of the letter-number designation provided under  
34 subparagraphs (1) through (3), the collegiate registration  
35 plates may be designated in the manner provided for

1 personalized registration plates under subsection 5, paragraph  
2 "a", in the colors designated for the respective universities  
3 under subparagraphs (1) through (3).

4 c. (1) The fees for a collegiate registration plate are as  
5 follows:

6 (a) A registration fee of twenty-five dollars.

7 (b) A special collegiate registration fee of twenty-five  
8 dollars.

9 (2) These fees are in addition to the regular annual  
10 registration fee. The fees collected by the director under  
11 this subsection shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of  
12 state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
13 of state shall credit monthly from the statutory allocations  
14 fund created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to Iowa  
15 state university of science and technology, the university of  
16 northern Iowa, and the state university of Iowa respectively,  
17 the amount of the special collegiate registration fees  
18 collected in the previous month for collegiate registration  
19 plates designed for the university. The moneys credited are  
20 appropriated to the respective universities to be used for  
21 scholarships for students attending the universities.

22 d. The county treasurer shall validate a collegiate  
23 registration ~~plates~~ plate in the same manner as a regular  
24 registration ~~plates~~ are plate is validated under this section  
25 at an annual fee of five dollars in addition to the regular  
26 annual registration fee.

27 e. A collegiate registration plate shall not be issued  
28 if its combination of alphanumeric characters are identical  
29 to those contained on a current personalized registration  
30 plate issued under subsection 5. However, the owner of  
31 a motor vehicle who has a personalized registration plate  
32 issued for the motor vehicle may, after proper application  
33 and payment of fees, be issued a collegiate registration  
34 plate containing the same alphanumeric characters as those  
35 on the personalized plate. Upon receipt of the collegiate

1 registration ~~plates~~ plate, the owner shall surrender the  
2 personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer.

3 7A. *Collegiate plates — Private four-year colleges and*  
4 *universities.*

5 a. Upon application by a private four-year college or  
6 university located in this state and payment of the initial  
7 set-up costs for establishing the collegiate plate, the  
8 department, in consultation with the college or university, may  
9 design a special collegiate registration plate displaying the  
10 colors associated with the college or university.

11 b. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
12 director may issue to the owner of a motor vehicle subject  
13 to registration under section 321.109, subsection 1, motor  
14 truck, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, trailer over two  
15 thousand pounds, or travel trailer registered in this state,  
16 a collegiate registration ~~plates~~ plate created pursuant to  
17 this subsection. The fee for the issuance of a collegiate  
18 registration ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five dollars, which fee  
19 is in addition to the regular annual registration fee for the  
20 vehicle. An applicant may obtain a personalized collegiate  
21 registration plate upon payment of the additional fee for a  
22 personalized plate as provided in subsection 5 in addition to  
23 the collegiate plate fee and the regular registration fee.  
24 The county treasurer shall validate a collegiate registration  
25 ~~plates~~ plate issued under this subsection in the same manner  
26 as a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate, upon payment of five  
27 dollars in addition to the regular annual registration fee.  
28 Upon receipt of the collegiate registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
29 the applicant shall surrender the regular registration  
30 ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer.

31 c. A personalized collegiate registration plate shall  
32 not be issued if its combination of alphanumeric characters  
33 are identical to those contained on a current personalized  
34 registration plate issued under subsection 5. However, the  
35 owner of a motor vehicle who has a personalized registration

1 plate issued for the motor vehicle may, after proper  
2 application and payment of fees, be issued a collegiate  
3 registration plate containing the same alphanumeric characters  
4 as those on the personalized plate. Upon receipt of the  
5 collegiate registration ~~plates~~ plate, the owner shall surrender  
6 the personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate to the county  
7 treasurer.

8 8. *Medal of honor ~~plates~~ plate.*

9 a. The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
10 under section 321.109, subsection 1, motorcycle, trailer,  
11 or motor truck who has been awarded the medal of honor may,  
12 upon written application to the department, order a special  
13 registration ~~plates~~ plate which shall be red, white, and blue  
14 in color and shall bear an emblem of the medal of honor and  
15 an identifying number. Each applicant applying for a special  
16 registration ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may order only  
17 one ~~set of~~ registration ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection.  
18 The application is subject to approval by the department and  
19 the special registration ~~plates~~ plate shall be issued at no  
20 charge to the applicant in exchange for the registration  
21 ~~plates~~ plate previously issued to the person. A person who  
22 is issued a special ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection is  
23 exempt from payment of any annual registration fee for the  
24 motor vehicle bearing the special ~~plates~~ plate. The department  
25 shall validate the special ~~plates~~ plate in the same manner as  
26 a regular registration ~~plates~~ are plate is validated under this  
27 section. The department shall not issue a special registration  
28 ~~plates~~ plate until service organizations in the state have  
29 furnished the department either the special dies or the cost of  
30 the special dies necessary for the manufacture of the special  
31 registration plate.

32 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
33 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use the  
34 special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration of the special  
35 ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name. If the surviving

1 spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall return the special  
2 ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the department shall issue  
3 a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to the surviving spouse.

4 8A. *Ex-prisoner of war special ~~plates~~ plate.*

5 *a.* The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
6 under section 321.109, subsection 1, motorcycle, trailer, or  
7 motor truck who was a prisoner of war during a time of military  
8 conflict may, upon written application to the department,  
9 order only one ~~set of~~ special registration ~~plates~~ plate with  
10 an ex-prisoner of war processed emblem. The emblem shall be  
11 designed by the department in cooperation with the adjutant  
12 general and shall signify that the owner was a prisoner of war  
13 as described in this subsection. The application is subject to  
14 approval by the department, in consultation with the adjutant  
15 general. The special ~~plates~~ plate shall be issued at no charge  
16 and ~~are~~ is subject to an annual registration fee of fifteen  
17 dollars. The county treasurer shall validate the special  
18 ~~plates~~ plate in the same manner as a regular registration  
19 ~~plates~~ are plate is validated under this section.

20 *b.* The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
21 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
22 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
23 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name and  
24 upon payment of the annual registration fee. If the surviving  
25 spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall return the special  
26 ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the department shall issue  
27 a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to the surviving spouse.

28 9. *Leased vehicles. Registration ~~plates~~ A registration*  
29 plate under this section, including a disabled veteran  
30 ~~plates~~ plate specified in section 321.105, may be issued to  
31 the lessee of a motor vehicle if the lessee provides evidence  
32 of a lease for a period of more than sixty days and if the  
33 lessee complies with the requirements, under this section, for  
34 issuance of the specific registration ~~plates~~ plate.

35 10. *Fire fighter ~~plates~~ plate.*

1     *a.* An owner referred to in subsection 12 who is a current  
2 or retired member of a paid or volunteer fire department may,  
3 upon written application to the department, order a special  
4 registration ~~plates~~ plate, designed by the department in  
5 cooperation with representatives designated by the Iowa fire  
6 fighters' associations, which ~~signify~~ signifies that the  
7 applicant is a current or retired member of a paid or volunteer  
8 fire department.

9     *b.* The application shall be approved by the department  
10 in consultation with representatives designated by the Iowa  
11 fire fighters' associations, and the special registration  
12 ~~plates~~ plate shall be issued to the applicant in exchange  
13 for the registration ~~plates~~ plate previously issued to the  
14 person. The fee for the special ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five  
15 dollars which shall be paid in addition to the regular annual  
16 registration fee. The department shall validate the special  
17 ~~plates~~ plate in the same manner as a regular registration  
18 ~~plates~~ are plate is validated under this section at the regular  
19 annual registration fee.

20     *c.* The special fees collected by the director under this  
21 subsection shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and  
22 deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state  
23 shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations fund  
24 created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the Paul Ryan  
25 memorial fire fighter safety training fund created pursuant to  
26 section 100B.12 the amount of the special fees collected in the  
27 previous month for the fire fighter plates.

28     *d.* For purposes of this subsection, a person is considered  
29 to be retired if the person is recognized by the chief of the  
30 fire department where the individual served, and on record,  
31 as officially retired from the fire department. ~~Special A~~  
32 special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a fire fighter emblem  
33 shall be surrendered, as provided in subsection 12, in exchange  
34 for a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate upon termination of  
35 the motor vehicle owner's membership in the paid or volunteer

1 fire department, unless the person is a retired member in good  
2 standing.

3 10A. *Emergency medical services ~~plates~~ plate.*

4 a. The owner of a motor vehicle referred to in subsection  
5 12 who is a current member of a paid or volunteer emergency  
6 medical services agency may, upon written application to  
7 the department, order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
8 designed by the department in cooperation with representatives  
9 designated by the Iowa emergency medical services association,  
10 which ~~plates signify~~ plate signifies that the applicant is  
11 a current member of a paid or volunteer emergency medical  
12 services agency. The application shall be approved by the  
13 department, in consultation with representatives designated  
14 by the Iowa emergency medical services association,  
15 and the special registration ~~plates~~ plate shall be  
16 issued to the applicant in exchange for the registration  
17 ~~plates~~ plate previously issued to the person. The fee for  
18 the special ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five dollars which is  
19 in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The  
20 department shall validate the special ~~plates~~ plate in the same  
21 manner as a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate is validated  
22 under this section at the regular annual registration fee.

23 b. The special fees collected by the director under this  
24 subsection shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and  
25 deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state  
26 shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations fund  
27 created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the emergency  
28 medical services fund created in section 135.25 the amount of  
29 the special fees collected in the previous month for issuance  
30 of emergency medical services plates.

31 11. *Natural resources ~~plates~~ plate.*

32 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
33 director may issue a natural resources ~~plates~~ plate to the  
34 owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration under section  
35 321.109, subsection 1, motor truck, motor home, multipurpose

1 vehicle, motorcycle, trailer, or travel trailer.

2     *b.* Natural resources plates shall be designed by the  
3 department in cooperation with the department of natural  
4 resources which design shall include on the plate the name of  
5 the county where the vehicle is registered.

6     *c.* (1) The special natural resources fee for  
7 a letter-number designated natural resources plates plate is  
8 forty-five dollars. The fee for a personalized natural  
9 resources plates plate is forty-five dollars which shall be  
10 paid in addition to the special natural resources fee of  
11 forty-five dollars. The fees collected by the director under  
12 this subsection shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of  
13 state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
14 of state shall credit monthly from the statutory allocations  
15 fund created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the Iowa  
16 resources enhancement and protection fund created pursuant to  
17 section 455A.18, the amount of the special natural resources  
18 fees collected in the previous month for the natural resources  
19 plates.

20     (2) From the moneys credited to the Iowa resources  
21 enhancement and protection fund under subparagraph (1), ten  
22 dollars of the fee collected for each natural resources plate  
23 issued, and fifteen dollars from each renewal fee, shall be  
24 allocated to the department of natural resources wildlife  
25 bureau to be used for nongame wildlife programs.

26     *d.* Upon receipt of the special registration plates plate,  
27 the applicant shall surrender the current registration  
28 plates plate to the county treasurer. The county treasurer  
29 shall validate the special registration plates plate in  
30 the same manner as a regular registration plates are plate  
31 is validated under this section. The annual special natural  
32 resources fee for a letter-number designated plates plate is  
33 twenty-five dollars which shall be paid in addition to  
34 the regular annual registration fee. The annual fee for  
35 a personalized natural resources plates plate is five dollars

1 which shall be paid in addition to the annual special natural  
2 resources fee and the regular annual registration fee. The  
3 annual special natural resources fee shall be credited as  
4 provided under paragraph "c".

5 11A. *Love our kids ~~plates~~ plate.*

6 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
7 director may issue a "love our kids" ~~plates~~ plate to the owner  
8 of a motor vehicle subject to registration under section  
9 321.109, subsection 1, motor truck, motor home, multipurpose  
10 vehicle, motorcycle, trailer, or travel trailer.

11 b. Love The love our kids ~~plates~~ plate shall be designed  
12 by the department in cooperation with the Iowa department of  
13 public health.

14 c. The special fee for a letter-number designated love  
15 our kids ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five dollars. The fee for  
16 a personalized love our kids ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five  
17 dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the special love  
18 our kids fee of thirty-five dollars. The fees collected by the  
19 director under this subsection shall be paid monthly to the  
20 treasurer of state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The  
21 treasurer of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory  
22 allocations fund created under section 321.145, subsection  
23 2, to the Iowa department of public health the amount of the  
24 special fees collected in the previous month for the love our  
25 kids plates. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys transferred  
26 under this subsection shall not revert to the general fund of  
27 the state.

28 d. Upon receipt of the special registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
29 the applicant shall surrender the current registration  
30 ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer. The county treasurer  
31 shall validate the special registration ~~plates~~ plate in  
32 the same manner as a regular registration ~~plates~~ are plate  
33 is validated under this section. The annual special love  
34 our kids fee for a letter-number designated ~~plates~~ plate is  
35 ten dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the regular

1 annual registration fee. The annual fee for a personalized  
2 ~~love our kids plates~~ plate is five dollars, which shall be paid  
3 in addition to the annual special love our kids fee and the  
4 regular annual registration fee. The annual love our kids fee  
5 shall be credited as provided under paragraph "c".

6 11B. *Motorcycle rider education ~~plates~~ plate.*

7 *a.* Upon application and payment of the proper fees,  
8 the director may issue a "motorcycle rider education"  
9 ~~plates~~ plate to the owner of a motor vehicle subject to  
10 registration under section 321.109, subsection 1, motor truck,  
11 motor home, multipurpose vehicle, motorcycle, trailer, or  
12 travel trailer.

13 *b.* ~~Motorcycle~~ The motorcycle rider education ~~plates~~  
14 plate shall be designed by the department.

15 *c.* The special fee for a letter-number designated motorcycle  
16 rider education ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five dollars. The fee  
17 for a personalized motorcycle rider education ~~plates~~ plate is  
18 twenty-five dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the  
19 special motorcycle rider education fee of thirty-five dollars.  
20 The fees collected by the director under this subsection shall  
21 be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in  
22 the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer  
23 monthly from the statutory allocations fund created under  
24 section 321.145, subsection 2, to the department for use in  
25 accordance with section 321.180B, subsection 6, the amount  
26 of the special fees collected in the previous month for the  
27 motorcycle rider education plates.

28 *d.* Upon receipt of the special registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
29 the applicant shall surrender the current registration  
30 ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer. The county treasurer  
31 shall validate the special registration ~~plates~~ plate in  
32 the same manner as a regular registration ~~plates~~ are plate  
33 is validated under this section. The annual special  
34 motorcycle rider education fee for a letter-number designated  
35 ~~plates~~ plate is ten dollars, which shall be paid in addition

1 to the regular annual registration fee. The annual fee for  
2 a personalized motorcycle rider education plates plate is  
3 five dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the annual  
4 special motorcycle rider education fee and the regular annual  
5 registration fee. The annual motorcycle rider education fee  
6 shall be credited as provided under paragraph "c".

7 12. *Special registration plates — general provisions.*

8 a. The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
9 pursuant to section 321.109, subsection 1, motor truck, motor  
10 home, multipurpose vehicle, motorcycle, trailer, or travel  
11 trailer may, upon written application to the department, order  
12 a special registration plates plate with a distinguishing  
13 processed emblem as authorized by this section or as approved  
14 by the department. The fee for the issuance of a special  
15 registration plates plate is twenty-five dollars for each  
16 vehicle, unless otherwise provided by this section, which  
17 fee is in addition to the regular annual registration fee.  
18 The county treasurer shall validate a special registration  
19 plates plate with a distinguishing processed emblem in the same  
20 manner as a regular registration plates plate, upon payment of  
21 five dollars in addition to the regular annual registration  
22 fee.

23 b. Upon receipt of a special registration plate with a  
24 distinguishing processed emblem as authorized by this section  
25 or as approved by the department, the applicant shall surrender  
26 the regular registration plates plate to the county treasurer.  
27 An applicant no longer eligible for a special registration  
28 plate shall surrender the special vehicle registration  
29 plates plate to the county treasurer for issuance of a regular  
30 registration plates plate.

31 c. An applicant may, upon payment of the additional fee  
32 for a personalized plate as provided in subsection 5, obtain  
33 a personalized special registration plate with a processed  
34 emblem. Personalized plates authorized by this section with  
35 ~~the~~ a processed emblem shall be limited to no more than five

1 initials, letters, or combinations of numerals and letters.

2 *d.* A special registration plate issued for a motorcycle  
3 or motorized bicycle under this section shall be designated  
4 in the manner provided for a personalized registration  
5 ~~plates~~ plate under subsection 5, paragraph "a".

6 12A. *Special registration plates — armed forces services.*

7 *a.* An owner of a vehicle referred to in subsection  
8 12 who applies for any type of special registration  
9 ~~plates~~ plate associated with service in the United States armed  
10 forces shall be issued one ~~set of the~~ special registration  
11 ~~plates~~ plate at no charge, but shall be subject to the annual  
12 registration fee of fifteen dollars, if the owner is eligible  
13 for, but has relinquished to the department or the county  
14 treasurer or has not been issued, an ex-prisoner of war or  
15 legion of merit special registration ~~plates~~ plate under this  
16 section.

17 *b.* An owner of a vehicle referred to in subsection  
18 12 who applies for any type of special registration  
19 ~~plates~~ plate associated with service in the United States armed  
20 forces shall be issued one ~~set of the~~ special registration  
21 ~~plates~~ plate at no charge and subject to no annual registration  
22 fee if the owner is eligible for, but has relinquished to the  
23 department or the county treasurer or has not been issued,  
24 a medal of honor registration ~~plates~~ plate under subsection 8  
25 or a disabled veteran registration ~~plates~~ plate under section  
26 321.105.

27 *c.* The owner shall provide the appropriate information  
28 regarding the owner's eligibility for any of the special  
29 registration plates described in paragraph "a" or "b", and  
30 regarding the owner's eligibility for the special registration  
31 ~~plates~~ plate for which the owner has applied, as required by  
32 the department.

33 *d.* The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
34 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use the  
35 special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration of the special

1 ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name and upon payment  
2 of the same annual registration fee, if applicable. If the  
3 surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall return  
4 the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the department  
5 shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to the  
6 surviving spouse.

7 13. *New special registration plates — department review.*

8 a. Any person may submit a request to the department to  
9 recommend a new special registration plate with a processed  
10 emblem. The request shall provide a proposed design for the  
11 processed emblem, the purpose of the special registration plate  
12 with the processed emblem, any eligibility requirements for  
13 purchase or receipt of the special registration plate with the  
14 processed emblem, and evidence there is sufficient interest  
15 in the special registration plate with the processed emblem  
16 to pay implementation costs. The department shall consider  
17 the request and make a recommendation based upon criteria  
18 established by the department which shall include consideration  
19 of the information included in the request, the number of  
20 special registration plates with processed emblems currently  
21 authorized, and any other relevant factors.

22 b. If a request for a proposed special registration plate  
23 with a processed emblem meets the criteria established by  
24 the department, the department shall, in consultation with  
25 the persons seeking the special registration plate with  
26 the processed emblem, approve a recommended design for the  
27 processed emblem, and propose eligibility requirements for the  
28 special registration plate with the processed emblem.

29 c. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A  
30 regarding the approval and issuance of special registration  
31 plates.

32 d. A state agency may submit a request to the department  
33 recommending a special registration plate. The alternate fee  
34 for a letter-number designated ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five  
35 dollars with a ~~ten-dollar~~ ten-dollar annual special renewal

1 fee. The fee for a personalized ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five  
2 dollars which is in addition to the alternative fee of  
3 thirty-five dollars with an annual personalized plate renewal  
4 fee of five dollars which is in addition to the special renewal  
5 fee of ten dollars. The alternate fees are in addition to the  
6 regular annual registration fee. The alternate fees collected  
7 under this paragraph shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of  
8 state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
9 of state shall credit monthly from the statutory allocations  
10 fund created under section 321.145, subsection 2, the amount of  
11 the alternate fees collected in the previous month to the state  
12 agency that recommended the special registration plate.

13 14. *Persons with disabilities special ~~plates~~ plate.* An owner  
14 referred to in subsection 12 or an owner of a trailer used to  
15 transport a wheelchair who is a person with a disability, or  
16 who is the parent or guardian of a child who resides with the  
17 parent or guardian owner and who is a person with a disability,  
18 as defined in section 321L.1, may, upon written application to  
19 the department, order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate with  
20 a persons with disabilities processed emblem designed by the  
21 department bearing the international symbol of accessibility.  
22 ~~The~~ A special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a persons with  
23 disabilities processed emblem shall only be issued if the  
24 application is accompanied with a statement from a physician  
25 licensed under chapter 148 or 149, a physician assistant  
26 licensed under chapter 148C, an advanced registered nurse  
27 practitioner licensed under chapter 152, or a chiropractor  
28 licensed under chapter 151, written on the physician's,  
29 physician assistant's, nurse practitioner's, or chiropractor's  
30 stationery, stating the nature of the applicant's or the  
31 applicant's child's disability and such additional information  
32 as required by rules adopted by the department, including proof  
33 of residency of a child who is a person with a disability. If  
34 the application is approved by the department, ~~the~~ a special  
35 registration ~~plates~~ plate with a persons with disabilities

1 processed emblem shall be issued to the applicant. There shall  
2 be no fee in addition to the regular annual registration fee  
3 for ~~the a~~ special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a persons with  
4 disabilities processed emblem. The authorization for a special  
5 registration ~~plates~~ plate with a persons with disabilities  
6 processed emblem shall not be renewed ~~without~~ unless the  
7 applicant ~~furnishing~~ furnishes evidence to the department  
8 that the owner of the vehicle or the owner's child is still  
9 a person with a disability as defined in section 321L.1. An  
10 owner who has a child who is a person with a disability shall  
11 provide satisfactory evidence to the department that the child  
12 with a disability continues to reside with the owner. The  
13 registration ~~plates~~ plate with a persons with disabilities  
14 processed emblem shall be surrendered in exchange for a regular  
15 registration ~~plates~~ plate as provided in subsection 12 when the  
16 owner of the vehicle or the owner's child no longer qualifies  
17 as a person with a disability as defined in section 321L.1 or  
18 when the owner's child who is a person with a disability no  
19 longer resides with the owner.

20 15. *Legion of merit special ~~plates~~ plate.*

21 a. The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
22 under section 321.109, subsection 1, motorcycle, trailer, or  
23 motor truck who has been awarded the legion of merit shall  
24 be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration ~~plates~~ plate with  
25 a legion of merit processed emblem, upon written application  
26 to the department and presentation of satisfactory proof  
27 of the award of the legion of merit as established by the  
28 Congress of the United States. The emblem shall be designed  
29 by the department in cooperation with the adjutant general and  
30 shall signify that the owner was awarded the legion of merit.  
31 The application is subject to approval by the department,  
32 in consultation with the adjutant general. The special  
33 ~~plates~~ plate shall be issued at no charge and are is subject  
34 to an annual registration fee of fifteen dollars. The county  
35 treasurer shall validate the special ~~plates~~ plate in the same

1 manner as a regular registration plates ~~are~~ plate is validated  
2 under this section.

3 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
4 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
5 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
6 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name and  
7 upon payment of the annual registration fee. If the surviving  
8 spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall return the special  
9 ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the department shall issue  
10 a regular registration plates plate to the surviving spouse.

11 16. *National guard special plates plate.*

12 a. An owner referred to in subsection 12 who is a  
13 member of the national guard, as defined in chapter 29A,  
14 may, upon written application to the department, order  
15 a special registration plates plate with a national guard  
16 processed emblem with the emblem designed by the department in  
17 cooperation with the adjutant general which emblem signifies  
18 that the applicant is a member of the national guard. The  
19 application shall be approved by the department in consultation  
20 with the adjutant general. The special plate fees collected  
21 by the director under subsection 12, paragraphs "a" and "c",  
22 from the issuance and annual validation of letter-number  
23 designated and personalized national guard plates shall be paid  
24 monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in the road  
25 use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer monthly  
26 from the statutory allocations fund created under section  
27 321.145, subsection 2, to the veterans license fee fund created  
28 in section 35A.11 the amount of the special fees collected  
29 under subsection 12, paragraph "a", in the previous month  
30 for national guard plates. ~~Special~~ A special registration  
31 ~~plates~~ plate with a national guard processed emblem shall be  
32 surrendered, as provided in subsection 12, in exchange for  
33 a regular registration plates plate upon termination of the  
34 owner's membership in the active national guard.

35 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special

1 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
 2 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
 3 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
 4 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
 5 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
 6 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
 7 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
 8 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
 9 the surviving spouse.

10 17. *Pearl Harbor special ~~plates~~ plate.*

11 a. An owner referred to in subsection 12 who was at Pearl  
 12 Harbor, Hawaii, as a member of the armed services of the United  
 13 States on December 7, 1941, may, upon written application to  
 14 the department, order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate with  
 15 a Pearl Harbor processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed  
 16 by the department in consultation with service organizations.  
 17 The application is subject to approval by the department. The  
 18 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
 19 12, paragraphs "a" and "c", from the issuance and annual  
 20 validation of letter-number designated and personalized Pearl  
 21 Harbor plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state  
 22 and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state  
 23 shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations fund  
 24 created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the veterans  
 25 license fee fund created in section 35A.11 the amount of the  
 26 special fees collected under subsection 12, paragraph "a", in  
 27 the previous month for Pearl Harbor plates.

28 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
 29 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
 30 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
 31 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
 32 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
 33 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
 34 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
 35 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the

1 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
2 the surviving spouse.

3 18. *Purple heart special ~~plates~~ plate.*

4 a. An owner referred to in subsection 12 who was awarded  
5 a purple heart medal by the United States government for  
6 wounds received in military or naval combat against an armed  
7 enemy of the United States may, upon written application to  
8 the department and presentation of satisfactory proof of the  
9 award of the purple heart medal, order a special registration  
10 plates plate with a purple heart processed emblem. The design  
11 of the emblem shall include a representation of a purple heart  
12 medal and ribbon. The application is subject to approval by  
13 the department in consultation with the adjutant general. The  
14 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
15 12, paragraphs "a" and "c", from the issuance and annual  
16 validation of letter-number designated and personalized purple  
17 heart plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state  
18 and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state  
19 shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations fund  
20 created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the veterans  
21 license fee fund created in section 35A.11 the amount of the  
22 special fees collected under subsection 12, paragraph "a", in  
23 the previous month for purple heart plates.

24 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued  
25 a special plates plate under this subsection may continue to  
26 use or apply for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject  
27 to registration of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving  
28 spouse's name and upon payment of the annual five-dollar  
29 special plate fee and the regular annual registration fee for  
30 the vehicle. If the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving  
31 spouse shall return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department  
32 and the department shall issue a regular registration  
33 plates plate to the surviving spouse.

34 19. *United States armed forces retired special ~~plates~~ plate.*

35 a. An owner referred to in subsection 12 who is a retired

1 member of the United States armed forces may, upon written  
2 application to the department and upon presentation of  
3 satisfactory proof of membership, order a special registration  
4 ~~plates~~ plate with a United States armed forces retired  
5 processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the  
6 department in consultation with service organizations. The  
7 application is subject to approval by the department. For  
8 purposes of this subsection, a person is considered to be  
9 retired if the person is recognized by the United States armed  
10 forces as retired from the United States armed forces. The  
11 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
12 12, paragraphs "a" and "c", from the issuance and annual  
13 validation of letter-number designated and personalized armed  
14 forces retired plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer  
15 of state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
16 of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations  
17 fund created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the  
18 veterans license fee fund created in section 35A.11 the amount  
19 of the special fees collected under subsection 12, paragraph  
20 "a", in the previous month for armed forces retired plates.

21 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
22 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
23 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
24 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
25 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
26 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
27 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
28 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
29 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
30 the surviving spouse.

31 20. *Silver or bronze star ~~plates~~ plate.*

32 a. An owner referred to in subsection 12 who was awarded a  
33 silver or a bronze star by the United States government, may,  
34 upon written application to the department and presentation of  
35 satisfactory proof of the award of the silver or bronze star,

1 order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a silver or  
 2 bronze star processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by  
 3 the department in consultation with the adjutant general. The  
 4 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
 5 12, paragraphs "a" and "c", from the issuance and annual  
 6 validation of letter-number designated and personalized silver  
 7 star and bronze star plates shall be paid monthly to the  
 8 treasurer of state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The  
 9 treasurer of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory  
 10 allocations fund created under section 321.145, subsection 2,  
 11 to the veterans license fee fund created in section 35A.11  
 12 the amount of the special fees collected under subsection 12,  
 13 paragraph "a", in the previous month for silver star and bronze  
 14 star plates.

15 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
 16 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
 17 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
 18 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
 19 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
 20 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
 21 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
 22 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
 23 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
 24 the surviving spouse.

25 20A. *Distinguished service, navy, or air force cross*  
 26 ~~plates~~ plate.

27 a. An owner referred to in subsection 12 who was  
 28 awarded a distinguished service cross, a navy cross, or an  
 29 air force cross by the United States government may, upon  
 30 written application to the department and presentation of  
 31 satisfactory proof of the award, order a special registration  
 32 ~~plates~~ plate with a distinguished service cross, navy cross, or  
 33 air force cross processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed  
 34 by the department in consultation with the adjutant general.  
 35 The special plate fees collected by the director under

1 subsection 12, paragraphs "a" and "c", from the issuance and  
2 annual validation of letter-number designated and personalized  
3 distinguished service cross, navy cross, and air force cross  
4 plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and  
5 deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state  
6 shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations fund  
7 created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the veterans  
8 license fee fund created in section 35A.11 the amount of the  
9 special fees collected under subsection 12, paragraph "a", in  
10 the previous month for distinguished service cross, navy cross,  
11 and air force cross plates.

12 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
13 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
14 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
15 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
16 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
17 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
18 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
19 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
20 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
21 the surviving spouse.

22 20B. *Soldier's, navy and marine corps, or airman's medal*  
23 ~~plates~~ plate.

24 a. An owner referred to in subsection 12 who was awarded  
25 a soldier's medal, a navy and marine corps medal, or an  
26 airman's medal by the United States government may, upon  
27 written application to the department and presentation of  
28 satisfactory proof of the award, order a special registration  
29 ~~plates~~ plate with a soldier's medal, navy and marine corps  
30 medal, or airman's medal processed emblem. The emblem  
31 shall be designed by the department in consultation with the  
32 adjutant general. The special plate fees collected by the  
33 director under subsection 12, paragraphs "a" and "c", from the  
34 issuance and annual validation of letter-number designated and  
35 personalized soldier's medal, navy and marine corps medal, and

1 airman's medal plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer  
2 of state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
3 of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations  
4 fund created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the  
5 veterans license fee fund created in section 35A.11 the amount  
6 of the special fees collected under subsection 12, paragraph  
7 "a", in the previous month for soldier's medal, navy and marine  
8 corps medal, and airman's medal plates.

9 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
10 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
11 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
12 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
13 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
14 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
15 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
16 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
17 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
18 the surviving spouse.

19 21. *Iowa heritage special ~~plates~~ plate.*

20 a. An owner referred to in subsection 12 may, upon written  
21 application to the department, order a special registration  
22 ~~plates~~ plate with an Iowa heritage emblem. The emblem shall  
23 contain a picture of the American gothic house and the words  
24 "Iowa Heritage" and shall be designed by the department in  
25 consultation with the state historical society of Iowa.

26 b. The special Iowa heritage fee for a letter-number  
27 designated ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five dollars. The  
28 special fee for a personalized Iowa heritage ~~plates~~ plate is  
29 twenty-five dollars which shall be paid in addition to the  
30 special fee of thirty-five dollars. The annual special Iowa  
31 heritage fee is ten dollars for a letter-number designated  
32 registration ~~plates~~ plate and is fifteen dollars for  
33 a personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate which shall be paid in  
34 addition to the regular annual registration fee.

35 c. The special fees collected by the director under this

1 subsection shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state  
2 and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of  
3 state shall credit monthly from the statutory allocations  
4 fund created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the Iowa  
5 heritage fund created under section 303.9A the amount of the  
6 special fees collected in the previous month for the Iowa  
7 heritage plates.

8 *22. Education ~~plates~~ plate.*

9 *a.* An owner referred to in subsection 12, upon written  
10 application to the department, may order a special registration  
11 ~~plates~~ plate with an education emblem. The education emblem  
12 shall be designed by the department in cooperation with the  
13 department of education.

14 *b.* The special school transportation fee for a letter-number  
15 designated education ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five dollars. The  
16 fee for a personalized education ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five  
17 dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the special school  
18 transportation fee of thirty-five dollars. The annual special  
19 school transportation fee is ten dollars for a letter-number  
20 designated registration ~~plates~~ plate and is fifteen dollars for  
21 a personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate which shall be paid  
22 in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The fees  
23 collected by the director under this subsection shall be paid  
24 monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in the road  
25 use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer monthly  
26 from the statutory allocations fund created under section  
27 321.145, subsection 2, to the school budget review committee  
28 in accordance with section 257.31, subsection 17, the amount  
29 of the special school transportation fees collected in the  
30 previous month for the education plates.

31 *23. Breast cancer awareness ~~plates~~ plate.*

32 *a.* Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
33 director may issue a breast cancer awareness ~~plates~~ plate to an  
34 owner of a motor vehicle referred to in subsection 12.

35 *b.* ~~Breast~~ The breast cancer awareness ~~plates~~ plate shall

1 contain an image of a pink ribbon and shall be designed by the  
2 department in consultation with the Susan G. Komen foundation.  
3 c. The special fee for a letter-number designated breast  
4 cancer awareness ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five dollars. The fee  
5 for a personalized breast cancer awareness ~~plates~~ plate is  
6 twenty-five dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the  
7 special breast cancer awareness fee of thirty-five dollars.  
8 The fees collected by the director under this subsection shall  
9 be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in  
10 the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer  
11 monthly from the statutory allocations fund created under  
12 section 321.145, subsection 2, to the Iowa department of public  
13 health the amount of the special fees collected in the previous  
14 month for the breast cancer awareness plates and such funds  
15 are appropriated to the Iowa department of public health. The  
16 Iowa department of public health shall distribute one hundred  
17 percent of the funds received monthly in the form of grants to  
18 support breast cancer screenings for both men and women who  
19 meet eligibility requirements like those established by the  
20 Susan G. Komen foundation. In the awarding of grants, the Iowa  
21 department of public health shall give first consideration  
22 to affiliates of the Susan G. Komen foundation and similar  
23 nonprofit organizations providing for breast cancer screenings  
24 at no cost in Iowa. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys  
25 transferred under this subsection shall not revert to the  
26 general fund of the state.  
27 d. Upon receipt of the special registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
28 the applicant shall surrender the current registration  
29 ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer. The county treasurer  
30 shall validate the special registration ~~plates~~ plate in  
31 the same manner as a regular registration ~~plates~~ are plate  
32 is validated under this section. The annual special  
33 breast cancer awareness fee for a letter-number designated  
34 ~~plates~~ plate is ten dollars, which shall be paid in addition to  
35 the regular annual registration fee. The annual special fee

1 for a personalized breast cancer awareness plates plate is five  
2 dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the annual special  
3 breast cancer awareness fee and the regular annual registration  
4 fee. The annual special breast cancer awareness fee shall be  
5 credited and transferred as provided under paragraph "c".

6 **24. *Gold star ~~plates~~ plate.***

7 **a.** An owner referred to in subsection 12 who is the  
8 surviving spouse, parent, child, or sibling of a deceased  
9 member of the United States armed forces who died while serving  
10 on active duty during a time of military conflict or who died  
11 as a result of such service may order a special registration  
12 plates plate bearing a gold star emblem upon written  
13 application to the department accompanied by satisfactory  
14 supporting documentation as determined by the department.  
15 The gold star emblem shall be designed by the department in  
16 cooperation with the commission of veterans affairs. The  
17 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
18 12, paragraphs "a" and "c", from the issuance and annual  
19 validation of letter-number designated and personalized gold  
20 star plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and  
21 deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state  
22 shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations fund  
23 created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the veterans  
24 license fee fund created in section 35A.11 the amount of the  
25 special fees collected under subsection 12, paragraph "a", in  
26 the previous month for gold star plates.

27 Sec. 14. Section 321.37, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
28 follows:

29 **321.37 Display of ~~plates~~ registration plate.**

30 1. ~~Registration plates~~ A registration plate issued for a  
31 motor vehicle other than a ~~motorcycle, motorized bicycle or~~  
32 a truck tractor shall be attached to the rear of the motor  
33 ~~vehicle, one in the front and the other in the rear.~~ The  
34 ~~registration plate issued for a motorcycle or other vehicle~~  
35 ~~required to be registered hereunder shall be attached to the~~

1 ~~rear of the vehicle.~~ The registration plate issued for a truck  
2 tractor shall be attached to the front of the truck tractor.  
3 The special plate issued to a dealer shall be attached on the  
4 rear of the vehicle when operated on the highways of this  
5 state.

6 ~~2. Registration plates issued for a motor vehicle which~~  
7 ~~is model year 1948 or older, and reconstructed or specially~~  
8 ~~constructed vehicles built to resemble a model year 1948~~  
9 ~~vehicle or older, other than a truck registered for more than~~  
10 ~~five tons, motorcycle, or truck tractor, may display one~~  
11 ~~registration plate on the rear of the vehicle if the other~~  
12 ~~registration plate issued to the vehicle is carried in the~~  
13 ~~vehicle at all times when the vehicle is operated on a public~~  
14 ~~highway.~~

15 ~~3.~~ 2. It is unlawful for the owner of a vehicle to place  
16 any frame around or over the registration plate which does not  
17 permit full view of all numerals and letters printed on the  
18 registration plate.

19 Sec. 15. Section 321.38, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
20 follows:

21 **321.38 ~~Plates, method~~ Method of attaching plates —**  
22 **~~imitations~~ imitation plates prohibited.**

23 Every A registration plate shall at all times be securely  
24 fastened in a horizontal position to the vehicle for which  
25 it is issued so as to prevent the plate from swinging and  
26 at a height of not less than twelve inches from the ground,  
27 measuring from the bottom of the plate, in a place and position  
28 to be clearly visible and shall be maintained free from  
29 foreign materials and in a condition to be clearly legible. An  
30 imitation plate or ~~plates~~ a plate imitating or purporting to  
31 imitate the official registration plate of any other state or  
32 territory of the United States or of any foreign government  
33 shall not be fastened to the vehicle.

34 Sec. 16. Section 321.41, subsection 3, Code 2009, is amended  
35 to read as follows:

1 3. A person who has registered a vehicle in a county,  
2 other than the county designated on the vehicle registration  
3 plate, may apply to the county treasurer where the vehicle is  
4 registered for a new registration ~~plates~~ plate upon payment  
5 of a fee of five dollars and the return of the former county  
6 registration ~~plates~~ plate.

7 Sec. 17. Section 321.42, subsection 1, Code 2009, is amended  
8 to read as follows:

9 1. If a registration card, or plate, ~~or pair of plates~~ is  
10 lost or becomes illegible, the owner shall immediately apply  
11 for replacement. The fee for a replacement registration  
12 card is three dollars. The fee for a replacement plate ~~or~~  
13 ~~pair of plates~~ other than a replacement of a special plate  
14 issued pursuant to section 321.60 is five dollars. The  
15 fee for replacement of a special plate issued pursuant to  
16 section 321.60 is forty dollars. When the owner has furnished  
17 information required by the department and paid the proper fee,  
18 a duplicate, substitute, or new registration card, or plate,  
19 ~~or pair of plates~~ may be issued. The county treasurer or the  
20 department may waive the fee for a replacement plate if the  
21 plate is lost during a documented accident.

22 Sec. 18. Section 321.46, subsection 7, Code 2009, is amended  
23 to read as follows:

24 7. If a motor vehicle is leased and the lessee purchases  
25 the vehicle upon termination of the lease, the lessor shall,  
26 upon claim by the lessee with the lessor within thirty days of  
27 the purchase, assign the annual registration fee credit and  
28 registration ~~plates~~ plate for the leased motor vehicle to the  
29 lessee. Credit shall be applied as provided in subsection 3.

30 Sec. 19. Section 321.47, subsection 3, Code 2009, is amended  
31 to read as follows:

32 3. Whenever ownership of a vehicle is transferred under the  
33 provisions of this section the registration ~~plates~~ plate shall  
34 be removed and forwarded to the county treasurer of the county  
35 where the vehicle is registered or to the department if the

1 vehicle is owned by a nonresident. Upon transfer the vehicle  
2 shall not be operated upon the highways of this state until the  
3 person entitled to possession of the vehicle applies for and  
4 obtains registration for the vehicle.

5 Sec. 20. Section 321.52, subsection 1, Code Supplement  
6 2009, is amended to read as follows:

7 1. When a vehicle is sold outside the state for purposes  
8 other than for junk, the owner, dealer, or otherwise, shall  
9 detach the registration ~~plates~~ plate and registration card and  
10 shall indicate on the registration card the name and address  
11 of the foreign purchaser or transferee over the person's  
12 signature. Unless the registration ~~plates~~ plate is legally  
13 attached to another vehicle, the owner shall surrender  
14 the registration ~~plates~~ plate and registration card to the  
15 county treasurer, who shall cancel the records, destroy the  
16 registration ~~plates~~ plate, and forward the registration card  
17 to the department. The department shall make a notation on  
18 the records of the out-of-state sale and, after a reasonable  
19 period, may destroy the files for that particular vehicle.  
20 The department is not authorized to make a refund of annual  
21 registration fees on a vehicle sold out of state unless it  
22 receives the registration card completed as provided in this  
23 section.

24 Sec. 21. Section 321.52, subsection 3, paragraphs a and b,  
25 Code Supplement 2009, are amended to read as follows:

26 a. When a vehicle for which a certificate of title is issued  
27 is junked or dismantled by the owner, the owner shall detach  
28 the registration ~~plates~~ plate and surrender the ~~plates~~ plate to  
29 the county treasurer, unless the ~~plates~~ plate is properly  
30 assigned to another vehicle. The owner shall also surrender  
31 the certificate of title to the county treasurer.

32 b. Upon the surrender of the certificate of title and  
33 application for junking certificate, the county treasurer shall  
34 issue to the person, without fee, a junking certificate, which  
35 shall authorize the holder to possess, transport, or transfer

1 ownership of the junked vehicle by endorsement of the junking  
2 certificate. The county treasurer shall hold the surrendered  
3 certificate of title, registration receipt, application for  
4 junking certificate, and, if applicable, the registration  
5 ~~plates~~ plate for a period of fourteen days following the  
6 issuance of a junking certificate under this subsection.

7 Sec. 22. Section 321.57, subsection 3, Code 2009, is amended  
8 to read as follows:

9 3. Also, a transporter may operate or move any vehicle  
10 of like type upon the highways solely for the purpose of  
11 delivery upon likewise displaying ~~thereon~~ on the vehicle a like  
12 ~~plates~~ plate issued to the transporter as provided in these  
13 sections.

14 Sec. 23. Section 321.89, subsection 1, paragraph a,  
15 subparagraph (1), Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as  
16 follows:

17 (1) A vehicle that has been left unattended on public  
18 property for more than twenty-four hours and lacks a current  
19 registration ~~plates~~ plate or two or more wheels or other parts  
20 which renders the vehicle totally inoperable.

21 Sec. 24. Section 321.96, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
22 follows:

23 **321.96 Prohibited plates — certificates.**

24 A person shall not display or cause or permit to be  
25 displayed, or have in the person's possession, a vehicle  
26 identification number or component part number except as  
27 provided in this chapter, or a canceled, revoked, altered,  
28 or fictitious registration number ~~plates~~ plate, registration  
29 receipt, or certificate of title, as the same are respectively  
30 provided for in this chapter.

31 Sec. 25. Section 321.98, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
32 follows:

33 **321.98 Operation without registration.**

34 A person shall not operate, and an owner shall not knowingly  
35 permit to be operated upon any highway any vehicle required to

1 be registered and titled ~~hereunder~~ under this chapter unless  
2 there ~~shall be~~ is attached ~~thereto~~ to the vehicle and displayed  
3 ~~thereon~~ on the vehicle when and as required by this chapter a  
4 valid registration card and registration plate ~~or plates~~ issued  
5 ~~therefor~~ for the vehicle for the current registration year and  
6 unless a certificate of title has been issued for such vehicle  
7 except as otherwise expressly permitted in this chapter. Any  
8 violation of this section is a simple misdemeanor punishable  
9 as a scheduled violation under section 805.8A, subsection 2,  
10 paragraph "b".

11 Sec. 26. Section 321.101A, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
12 follows:

13 **321.101A Revocation of registration by county treasurer.**

14 The county treasurer may revoke the registration and  
15 registration ~~plates~~ plate of a vehicle if the annual  
16 registration fee or the fee for new registration is paid by  
17 check, electronic payment, or credit card and the check,  
18 electronic payment, or credit card is not honored by the  
19 payer's financial institution or credit card company, upon  
20 reasonable notice and demand. The owner of the vehicle or  
21 person in possession of the registration and registration  
22 ~~plates~~ plate for the vehicle shall immediately return the  
23 revoked registration and registration ~~plates~~ plate to the  
24 appropriate county treasurer's office.

25 Sec. 27. Section 321.103, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
26 follows:

27 **321.103 Owner to return evidences of registration and title.**

28 ~~Whenever~~ If the department as authorized ~~hereunder~~ under  
29 this chapter cancels, suspends, or revokes the registration  
30 of a vehicle, or certificate of title, or registration  
31 card, or registration plate ~~or plates~~, or any nonresident  
32 or other permit or the registration of any dealer, the  
33 owner or person in possession of the same shall immediately  
34 return the evidences of registration, certificate of title,  
35 or ~~plates~~ plate so canceled, suspended, or revoked to the

1 department.

2 Sec. 28. Section 321.104, subsection 3, Code 2009, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 3. To fail to surrender a certificate of title, registration  
5 card, or registration ~~plates~~ plate upon cancellation,  
6 suspension, or revocation of the certificate or registration by  
7 the department and notice as prescribed in this chapter.

8 Sec. 29. Section 321.105, subsections 2 and 5, Code 2009,  
9 are amended to read as follows:

10 2. The annual registration fee shall be paid to the county  
11 treasurer at the same time the application is made for the  
12 registration or reregistration of the motor vehicle or trailer.  
13 An owner may, when applying for registration or reregistration  
14 of a motor vehicle or trailer, request that the ~~plates~~ plate be  
15 mailed to the owner's post office address. The owner's request  
16 shall be accompanied by a mailing fee as determined annually by  
17 the director in consultation with the Iowa county treasurers  
18 association.

19 5. Seriously disabled veterans who have been provided with  
20 an automobile or other vehicle by the United States government  
21 under the provisions of § 1901 - 1903, Title 38 of the United  
22 States Code, 38 U.S.C. § 1901 et seq. (1970), shall be exempt  
23 from payment of the registration fee provided in this chapter  
24 for that vehicle, and shall be provided, without fee, with one  
25 ~~set of regular~~ registration ~~plates~~ plate or one ~~set~~ of any type  
26 of special registration ~~plates~~ plate associated with service in  
27 the United States armed forces for which the disabled veteran  
28 qualifies under section 321.34. The disabled veteran, to be  
29 able to claim the benefit, must be a resident of the state  
30 of Iowa. In lieu of the ~~set of~~ regular or special military  
31 registration ~~plates~~ plate available without fee, the disabled  
32 veteran may obtain a ~~set of~~ nonmilitary special registration  
33 ~~plates~~ plate or personalized ~~plates~~ plate issued under section  
34 321.34 by paying the additional fees associated with ~~those~~  
35 ~~plates~~ that plate.

1     Sec. 30. Section 321.109, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code  
2 2009, is amended to read as follows:

3     a. The annual fee for all motor vehicles including  
4 vehicles designated by manufacturers as station wagons,  
5 1993 and subsequent model year multipurpose vehicles,  
6 and 2010 and subsequent model year motor trucks with an  
7 unladen weight of ten thousand pounds or less, except motor  
8 trucks registered under section 321.122, business-trade  
9 trucks, special trucks, motor homes, ambulances, hearses,  
10 motorcycles, motorized bicycles, and 1992 and older model year  
11 multipurpose vehicles, shall be equal to one percent of the  
12 value as fixed by the department plus forty cents for each  
13 one hundred pounds or fraction thereof of weight of vehicle,  
14 as fixed by the department. The weight of a motor vehicle,  
15 fixed by the department for registration purposes, shall  
16 include the weight of a battery, heater, bumpers, spare tire,  
17 and wheel. ~~Provided, however, that for any A nonresident~~  
18 who purchases a new vehicle purchased in this state ~~by a~~  
19 ~~nonresident~~ for removal to the nonresident's state of residence  
20 ~~the purchaser~~ may make application to the county treasurer  
21 in the county of purchase for a transit plate for which a  
22 fee of ten dollars shall be paid. ~~And provided, however,~~  
23 ~~that for any A nonresident who purchases a~~ used vehicle  
24 held by a registered dealer and not currently registered  
25 in this state, ~~or for any a~~ vehicle held by an individual  
26 and currently registered in this state, ~~when purchased in~~  
27 ~~this state by a nonresident~~ for removal to the nonresident's  
28 state of residence, ~~the purchaser~~ may make application to  
29 the county treasurer in the county of purchase for a transit  
30 plate for which a fee of three dollars shall be paid. The  
31 county treasurer shall issue a nontransferable certificate of  
32 registration for which ~~no~~ a refund shall not be allowed, and  
33 the transit ~~plates~~ plate shall be void thirty days after  
34 issuance. Such purchaser may apply for a certificate of title  
35 by surrendering the manufacturer's or importer's certificate

1 or certificate of title, duly assigned as provided in this  
2 chapter. In this event, the treasurer in the county of  
3 purchase shall, when satisfied with the genuineness and  
4 regularity of the application, and upon payment of a fee of  
5 twenty dollars, issue a certificate of title in the name and  
6 address of the nonresident purchaser delivering the title  
7 to the owner. If there is a security interest noted on the  
8 title, the county treasurer shall mail to the secured party an  
9 acknowledgment of the notation of the security interest. The  
10 county treasurer shall not release a security interest that  
11 has been noted on a title issued to a nonresident purchaser  
12 as provided in this paragraph. The application requirements  
13 of section 321.20 apply to a title issued as provided in this  
14 subsection, except that a natural person who applies for a  
15 certificate of title shall provide either the person's social  
16 security number, passport number, or driver's license number,  
17 whether the license was issued by this state, another state, or  
18 another country. The provisions of this subsection relating to  
19 multipurpose vehicles are effective for all 1993 and subsequent  
20 model years. The annual registration fee for multipurpose  
21 vehicles that are 1992 model years and older shall be in  
22 accordance with section 321.124.

23 Sec. 31. Section 321.115, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code  
24 2009, is amended to read as follows:

25 c. The owner of a motor vehicle registered under this  
26 subsection may display an authentic Iowa registration plate  
27 or set of plates from the model year of the motor vehicle,  
28 furnished by the person and approved by the department, in lieu  
29 of the current and valid Iowa registration ~~plates~~ plate issued  
30 for the vehicle, provided that the current and valid Iowa  
31 registration ~~plates~~ plate and the registration card issued for  
32 the vehicle are simultaneously carried within the vehicle and  
33 are available for inspection to any peace officer upon the  
34 officer's request.

35 Sec. 32. Section 321.115A, subsection 1, Code Supplement

1 2009, is amended to read as follows:

2 1. A motor vehicle may be registered as a replica vehicle  
3 or street rod upon payment of the fee provided for in section  
4 321.109, 321.113, 321.122, or 321.124. The owner of a vehicle  
5 registered under this section may display a registration  
6 plate or set of plates from or representing the model year  
7 of the motor vehicle or the model year of the motor vehicle  
8 the registered vehicle is designed to resemble, furnished by  
9 the person and approved by the department, in lieu of the  
10 current and valid Iowa registration ~~plates~~ plate issued for the  
11 vehicle, provided that the current and valid Iowa registration  
12 ~~plates~~ plate and the registration card issued for the vehicle  
13 are simultaneously carried within the vehicle and are available  
14 for inspection to any peace officer upon the officer's request.

15 Sec. 33. Section 321.120, subsection 3, Code 2009, is  
16 amended to read as follows:

17 3. Upon approval of the application and payment of the  
18 proper fees, the county treasurer shall issue a registration  
19 ~~plates~~ plate for the vehicle which distinguish the vehicle as  
20 a business-trade truck.

21 Sec. 34. Section 321.126, subsections 1, 3, 4, and 8, Code  
22 2009, are amended to read as follows:

23 1. If the vehicle is destroyed by fire or accident, or  
24 junked and its identity as a vehicle entirely eliminated, the  
25 owner in whose name the vehicle was registered at the time of  
26 destruction or dismantling shall return the ~~plates~~ plate to the  
27 department and within thirty days thereafter make a statement  
28 of such destruction or dismantling and make claim for refund.  
29 With reference to the destruction or dismantling of a vehicle,  
30 ~~no~~ a refund shall not be allowed unless a junking certificate  
31 has been issued, as provided in section 321.52.

32 3. If the vehicle is placed in storage by the owner upon  
33 the owner's entry into the military service of the United  
34 States, the owner shall return the ~~plates~~ plate to the county  
35 treasurer or the department and make a statement regarding the

1 storage and military service and make a claim for a refund.  
2 Whenever the owner of a vehicle so placed in storage desires to  
3 again register the vehicle, the county treasurer or department  
4 shall compute and collect the fees for registration for the  
5 registration year commencing in the month the vehicle is  
6 removed from storage.

7 4. If the vehicle is registered by the county treasurer  
8 during the current registration year and the owner or lessee  
9 registers the vehicle for proportional registration under  
10 chapter 326, the owner of the registered vehicle shall  
11 surrender the registration ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer  
12 and may file a claim for refund. In lieu of a refund, a credit  
13 for the annual registration fees paid to the county treasurer  
14 may be applied by the department to the owner or lessee's  
15 proportional registration fees upon the surrender of the county  
16 ~~plates~~ plate and registration.

17 8. If the owner of the vehicle moves out of state, the  
18 owner may make a claim for a refund by returning the Iowa  
19 registration ~~plates~~ plate, along with evidence of the vehicle's  
20 registration in another jurisdiction, to the county treasurer  
21 of the county in which the vehicle was registered within  
22 six months of the out-of-state registration. For purposes  
23 of section 321.127, the unexpired months remaining in the  
24 registration year shall be calculated on the basis of the  
25 effective date of the out-of-state registration. However, for  
26 the purpose of timely issuance of the refund, the claim for  
27 a refund under this subsection is considered to be filed on  
28 the date the registration documents are received by the county  
29 treasurer.

30 Sec. 35. Section 321.134, subsection 1, Code 2009, is  
31 amended to read as follows:

32 1. On the first day of the second month following the  
33 beginning of each registration year a penalty of five percent  
34 of the annual registration fee shall be added to the annual  
35 registration fees not paid by that date and an additional

1 penalty of five percent shall be added the first day of each  
 2 succeeding month, until the fee is paid. A penalty shall  
 3 not be less than five dollars. If the owner of a vehicle  
 4 surrenders the registration ~~plates~~ plate for a vehicle ~~prior~~  
 5 ~~to the plates becoming~~ before the plate is delinquent, to  
 6 the county treasurer of the county where the vehicle is  
 7 registered, or to the department if the vehicle is registered  
 8 under chapter 326, the owner may register the vehicle any  
 9 time thereafter upon payment of the annual registration fee  
 10 for the registration year without penalty. The penalty on  
 11 vehicles registered under chapter 326 shall accrue February 1  
 12 of each year. To avoid a penalty or an additional penalty in  
 13 the case of a delinquent registration, if the last calendar  
 14 day of a month falls on Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, the  
 15 payment deadline is extended to include the first business day  
 16 of the following month. For payments made through a county  
 17 treasurer's authorized website only, if the last day of the  
 18 month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, the electronic  
 19 payment must be initiated by midnight on the first business  
 20 day of the next month. All other electronic payments must be  
 21 initiated by midnight on the last day of the month preceding  
 22 the delinquent date.

23 Sec. 36. Section 321.166, subsections 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10,  
 24 Code Supplement 2009, are amended to read as follows:

25 1. a. Registration plates shall be of metal and of a size  
 26 not to exceed six inches by twelve inches, except that the size  
 27 of plates issued for use on motorized bicycles, motorcycles,  
 28 motorcycle trailers, and trailers with an empty weight of two  
 29 thousand pounds or less shall be established by the department.

30 b. ~~Trailers~~ A trailer with an empty weights weight of two  
 31 thousand pounds or less may, upon request, be licensed with  
 32 a regular-sized license plates registration plate.

33 2. Every registration plate ~~or pair of plates~~ shall  
 34 display a registration plate number which shall consist  
 35 of alphabetical or numerical characters or a combination

1 ~~thereof~~ of characters and the name of this state, which may be  
2 abbreviated. Every registration plate issued by the county  
3 treasurer shall display the name of the county, including any  
4 plate issued pursuant to section 321.34, except Pearl Harbor  
5 and purple heart registration plates issued prior to January 1,  
6 1997; registration plates issued pursuant to section 321.34,  
7 subsection 13, paragraph "d"; and collegiate, fire fighter, and  
8 medal of honor registration plates. Special truck registration  
9 plates shall display the word "*special*". The department may  
10 adopt rules to implement this subsection.

11 4. The registration plate number, except on motorized  
12 ~~bicyele~~ bicycles, ~~motoreyele~~ motorcycles, motorcycle  
13 ~~trailer~~ trailers, and trailers with an empty weight of two  
14 thousand pounds or less shall be of sufficient size to be  
15 readable from a distance of one hundred feet during daylight.

16 6. ~~Registration plates~~ A registration plate issued to a  
17 disabled veteran under the provisions of section 321.105 shall  
18 display the alphabetical characters "DV" which shall precede  
19 the registration plate number. The ~~plates~~ plate may also  
20 display a persons with disabilities parking sticker if issued  
21 to the disabled veteran by the department under section 321L.2.

22 8. The owner of a trailer with an empty weight of  
23 two thousand pounds or less shall receive a registration  
24 ~~plates~~ plate for the trailer smaller than ~~plates~~ regularly  
25 issued for automobiles pursuant to rules adopted by the  
26 department in accordance with this section unless the owner  
27 requests a regular-sized ~~plates~~ plate.

28 10. If the department reissues a new registration plate  
29 design for a special registration plate under section 321.34,  
30 all persons who have purchased or obtained the special  
31 registration ~~plates~~ plate shall not be required to pay the  
32 issuance fee.

33 Sec. 37. Section 321.385A, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code  
34 2009, is amended to read as follows:

35 A citation issued for failure to have rear lamps as required

1 under section 321.387 or a ~~rear~~ registration plate light as  
2 required under section 321.388 shall first provide for a  
3 seventy-two hour period within which the person charged with  
4 the violation shall replace or repair the lamps or light. If  
5 the person complies with the directive to replace or repair the  
6 lamps or light within the allotted time period, the citation  
7 shall be expunged. If the person fails to comply within the  
8 allotted time period, the citation shall be processed in the  
9 same manner as other citations.

10 Sec. 38. Section 321.388, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
11 follows:

12 **321.388 Illuminating plates.**

13 Either the rear lamp or a separate lamp shall be so  
14 constructed and placed as to illuminate with a white light the  
15 ~~rear~~ registration plate and render it clearly legible from a  
16 distance of fifty feet to the rear. When the ~~rear~~ registration  
17 plate is illuminated by an electric lamp other than the  
18 required rear lamp, the two lamps shall be turned on or off  
19 only by the same control switch at all times when headlamps are  
20 lighted.

21 Sec. 39. Section 321E.10, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code  
22 2009, is amended to read as follows:

23 The department or local authorities may upon application  
24 issue annual trip permits for the movement of truck trailers  
25 manufactured or assembled in this state that exceed the maximum  
26 length specified in section 321.457 and the maximum width  
27 specified in section 321.454. ~~Movement of the~~ The truck  
28 trailers shall be moved solely for the purpose of delivery or  
29 transfer from the point of manufacture or assembly to another  
30 point of manufacture or assembly within the state or to a  
31 point outside the state, shall be moved only on roadways of  
32 twenty-four feet or more in width or on four-lane highways,  
33 shall be moved on the most direct route necessary for such  
34 movement, and shall display the special ~~plates~~ plate designated  
35 in section 321.57. ~~All A~~ A truck ~~trailers~~ trailer under permit

1 for such movement shall not contain freight or an additional  
2 load. A vehicle or combination of two or more vehicles  
3 inclusive of front and rear bumpers, including towing units,  
4 involved in the movement of truck trailers shall not exceed an  
5 overall width of ten feet. Vehicles or combinations shall be  
6 distinctly marked on both the front and rear of the unit in a  
7 manner the director of transportation designates to indicate  
8 that the vehicles or combinations are being moved for delivery  
9 or transfer purposes only.

10 Sec. 40. Section 321J.4B, subsection 5, paragraph f, Code  
11 2009, is amended to read as follows:

12 *f.* (1) If the vehicle subject to the court order is not in  
13 the custody of a law enforcement agency, the person or agency  
14 designated in the order as the person or agency responsible for  
15 executing the order shall, upon receipt of the order, promptly  
16 locate the vehicle specified in the order, seize the motor  
17 vehicle and the ~~license plates~~ registration plate, and send or  
18 deliver the vehicle's ~~license plates~~ registration plate to the  
19 department.

20 (2) If the vehicle is located at a place other than  
21 the place at which the court order is to be carried out,  
22 the person or agency responsible for executing the order  
23 shall arrange for the vehicle to be moved to the place of  
24 impoundment or immobilization. When the vehicle is found, is  
25 impounded or immobilized, and is at the place of impoundment or  
26 immobilization, the person or agency responsible for executing  
27 the order shall notify the clerk of the date on which the order  
28 was executed. The clerk shall notify the department of the  
29 date on which the order was executed.

30 Sec. 41. Section 321J.4B, subsection 7, Code 2009, is  
31 amended to read as follows:

32 7. *a.* Upon receipt of a notice of conviction of the  
33 defendant for a violation of subsection 2, the impounding  
34 authority shall seize the motor vehicle's ~~license~~  
35 ~~plates~~ registration plate and registration, and shall send or

1 deliver them to the department.

2     **b.** The department shall destroy ~~license plates a~~  
3 registration plate received under this section and shall not  
4 authorize the release of the vehicle or the issuance of a new  
5 ~~license plates registration plate~~ for the vehicle until the  
6 period of impoundment or immobilization has expired, and the  
7 fee and costs assessed under subsection 10 have been paid. The  
8 fee for issuance of a new license plates registration plate and  
9 ~~certificates certificate~~ of registration shall be the same as  
10 for the replacement of a lost, mutilated, or destroyed license  
11 ~~plates registration plate~~ and ~~certificates certificate~~ of  
12 registration.

13     Sec. 42. Section 321L.2, subsection 1, paragraph a,  
14 subparagraphs (1) and (2), Code Supplement 2009, are amended  
15 to read as follows:

16     (1) Persons with disabilities registration plates. An  
17 applicant may order a persons with disabilities registration  
18 ~~plates plate~~ pursuant to section 321.34. An applicant may  
19 order a persons with disabilities registration plate for a  
20 trailer used to transport a wheelchair pursuant to section  
21 321.34 in addition to a persons with disabilities registration  
22 ~~plates plate~~ ordered by the applicant for a motor vehicle used  
23 to tow such a trailer pursuant to section 321.34.

24     (2) Persons with disabilities parking sticker. An  
25 applicant who owns a motor vehicle for which the applicant  
26 has been issued a registration plates plate under section  
27 321.34 or a registration plates plate as a seriously disabled  
28 veteran under section 321.105 may apply to the department for a  
29 persons with disabilities parking sticker to be affixed to the  
30 ~~plates plate~~. The persons with disabilities parking stickers  
31 shall bear the international symbol of accessibility.

32     Sec. 43. Section 321L.2, subsection 5, Code Supplement  
33 2009, is amended to read as follows:

34     5. A seriously disabled veteran who has been provided  
35 with an automobile or other vehicle by the United States

1 government under the provisions of 38 U.S.C. § 1901 et seq.  
2 (1970) is not required to apply for a persons with disabilities  
3 parking permit under this section unless the veteran has been  
4 issued a special registration ~~plates~~ plate or personalized  
5 ~~plates~~ plate for the vehicle. The regular registration  
6 ~~plates~~ plate issued for the disabled veteran's vehicle without  
7 fee pursuant to section 321.105 ~~entitle~~ entitles the disabled  
8 veteran to all of the rights and privileges associated with  
9 persons with disabilities parking permits under this chapter.

10 Sec. 44. Section 321L.2A, subsection 1, paragraph e, Code  
11 2009, is amended to read as follows:

12 e. The person carries in the motor vehicle a copy of  
13 the statement from a physician, physician's assistant,  
14 advanced registered nurse practitioner, or chiropractor  
15 which accompanied the person's application for a persons with  
16 disabilities registration ~~plates~~ plate under section 321.34 or  
17 other persons with disabilities parking permit under section  
18 321L.2 and which indicates the person is permanently unable to  
19 walk. The person shall show the copy of the statement to any  
20 peace officer upon request.

21 Sec. 45. Section 326.17, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
22 follows:

23 **326.17 Iowa base plates.**

24 Resident fleet owners shall be required to list Iowa as the  
25 base state for all commercial vehicles which qualify under the  
26 term "*base state*" as defined in this chapter, and Iowa base  
27 plates shall be displayed on all such commercial vehicles.  
28 Nonresident fleet owners subject to proportional registration  
29 shall display an Iowa base ~~plates~~ plate ~~if the plate on a~~ commercial  
30 vehicle qualifies as an Iowa based vehicle as defined in this  
31 chapter.

32 Sec. 46. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. The Code editor may make  
33 any change the Code editor deems necessary to any Code section  
34 that refers to the issuance of two rather than one vehicle  
35 registration plate when there appears to be no doubt as to the

1 proper method of making the correction.

2 Sec. 47. TRANSITION PROVISIONS.

3 The transition from the use of motor vehicle registration  
4 plates on both the front and rear of certain vehicles to the  
5 use of such plates on only the rear of certain vehicles, as  
6 directed by this Act, shall be accomplished in stages. A  
7 person applying for a new or replacement registration plate  
8 on or after July 1, 2010, shall receive only one registration  
9 plate. Otherwise, the transition shall not be accomplished  
10 until a new series of registration plates is issued to replace  
11 a current series. The department of transportation shall adopt  
12 rules to implement the transition.

13 EXPLANATION

14 This bill amends Code section 321.37, relating to the  
15 display of motor vehicle registration plates, to provide  
16 that only one registration plate shall be issued for a motor  
17 vehicle. The registration plate is to be attached to the rear  
18 of the motor vehicle, except that the registration plate for  
19 a truck tractor is to be attached to the front of the truck  
20 tractor. Currently, two registration plates are issued for  
21 a motor vehicle other than a motorcycle, motorized bicycle,  
22 or truck tractor, to be attached to the front and rear of the  
23 vehicle.

24 The bill also makes numerous corresponding Code language  
25 changes, makes some Code language changes to enhance  
26 readability, and provides for the transition from the use of  
27 two registration plates to the use of one registration plate.